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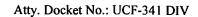
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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed August 10, 2004, Applicant elects to prosecute claims 1-14 drawn to method of forming a lens of species A of Group one (I) with traverse.

The examiner restricted the invention to:

Group one (I) claims 1-24

Species A Claims 1-14

Species B claims 15-24

Group two (II) claims 25-38.

Applicant includes with this office action a copy of the original cover letter for this application that was filed on 12/31/2003 where applicant clearly cancelled claims 25-38.

A policy consideration behind a restriction requirement would suggest that separate inventions exist that inherently would include separate prior art searches, examinations, examiners, etc. The Primary Examiner does not state that different art units and/or different examiners would need to search and examine the inventions of Invention A and B. If Inventions A and B can be searched by the same art unit and further by the same examiner, then having different examiners conduct separate searches and examinations would create an undue time and financial burden on both the patent office and on the applicants.

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Thus, any restriction requirement could have the effect of having different examiners working on the other inventions. Further, multiple examinations on these inventions would be repetitive and excessive. For these reasons, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement.

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